

## Job Description Oceana Marine Wildlife Campaigner

### **Background**

Oceana [www.oceana.org](http://www.oceana.org) campaigns to protect and restore the world's oceans. Our teams of marine scientists, economists, lawyers and advocates win specific and concrete policy changes to reduce pollution and to prevent the irreversible collapse of fish populations, marine mammals and other sea life. Global in scope and dedicated to conservation, Oceana has campaigners based in North America ( Washington, DC; Juneau, AK; Los Angeles, CA ), Europe ( Madrid, Spain; Brussels, Belgium ) and South America ( Santiago, Chile ). More than 300,000 members and e-activists in over 150 countries have already joined Oceana.

Oceana is a non-governmental and international environmental organisation concerned with the protection of the oceans. On the issues it covers and in the arenas where it works Oceana is a well known and respected organization for the marine environment. The post is related to the Oceana European office <http://oceana.org/europe>

### **Marine Wildlife Campaigner**

OCEANA seeks an experienced, team worker Campaigner to be part of our European Science Department to develop and implement campaign activities on fisheries and marine conservation issues.

This is a full time position, initially for 12months, based in our office in Madrid.

#### **Duties/Responsibilities:**

The successful applicant will take responsibility for developing and implementing a strategy for one of Oceana's European marine campaigns.

The campaigner prepare a campaign strategy, write policy and position documents; advocate Oceana's position within Europe and to organize and represent Oceana at meetings with European policy and decision makers and fisheries stakeholders.

She/he will also liaise closely with Oceana colleagues working on other campaigns and in the Communications department.

#### **Qualifications:**

The candidate will have a degree in marine/fisheries science, economics, biology, ecology or a related discipline, and at least 3 years experience in policy and/or campaign work, preferably in fisheries, marine or environmental issues in the European Union. The position requires strong communication skills, both written and spoken.

We are looking for a natural communicator with excellent writing skills, a consummate team player with a strong interest in marine environmental issues, and capable of working independently

The successful candidate will be able to think strategically, be self motivated and with the ability to work under pressure. Oceana is a multicultural and multi organizational NGO, therefore strong skills for team building and networking are required.

Knowledge on marine ecology, fisheries management and technical measures to reduce fisheries impact on marine wildlife, experience on work at sea or field work, readiness and quickness to develop works under short deadlines, ability to convert scientific knowledge, papers and documents into texts and speeches easy to understand for journalist, politicians and

general public opinion and knowledge and experience in environment would be a distinct advantage.

Candidates must be fluent in written and spoken English, and Spanish. Other languages (especially Portuguese, German, French and/or Italian) are desirable.

Willingness to travel nationally and internationally required.

The successful candidate will be a self motivated person with proven experience in marine ecology and marine wildlife, and ability to meet deadlines, work under pressure and respond promptly as necessary. The candidate will be working in a multicultural and multi organizational environment; therefore it will be required strong skills for team building and networking.

#### Additional information

The post will be based in Madrid.

Gross annual salary will be 34.500€, the post is for 5 days/week; part time can not be discussed.

The post will initially be available for the period of 1 October – 30 September 2011, but is intended to become a permanent post.

#### To apply for the post

Please send a letter of application stating the skills and approach that you would bring to the post with your CV/resume (no photos) in strict confidence by email only to: [mlopez@oceana.org](mailto:mlopez@oceana.org)

Please ensure that they are sent as Word documents with the titles “your name cover letter” and “your name CV” Please put “Marine Wildlife Campaigner” in the email subject line. Also please let us know where you saw the post advertised.

**The deadline for application is Monday 20th September, 2010. Interviews will take place on September 27th-28th<sup>d</sup> in Madrid Office (C/ Leganitos 47. 6º.)**